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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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SIR:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please amend the above application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, before the title, please insert the following:

AA
--This application is the U.S. National Phase of PCT International Application No. PCT/GB97/00577.--

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, and 14 as follows:

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3. Use of a test as claimed in claim 1 [or 2] wherein the sample is chosen from blood, buccal smear or any other sample containing DNA from the potential participants.

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